

MINIATURE ROSE PLANT NAMED 'SAVABUSY'

5 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety of rose plant of the *Miniature* class. The new variety was created by crossing as seed parent the variety known as 'MORSEGOLD' (U.S. Plant Patent 6,617) and as pollen parent, the  
10 variety known as 'SAVASPARK' (U.S. Plant Patent 9,799). The varietal denomination of the new variety is 'SAVABUSY'.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Among the novel characteristics possessed by the new variety  
15 which distinguishes it from its parents and all other varieties of which I am aware, is its flower shape and flower color.

Asexual reproduction by propagation of vegetative cuttings of the new variety as performed in Essex County, Massachusetts show that the foregoing and other distinguishing characteristics  
20 come true to form and are established and transmitted through succeeding propagation.

COMPARISON WITH PARENTS

The new variety may be distinguished from its parents in its  
25 form and flower color.

The new variety has predominately orange flowers whereas the flowers of its seed parent, are yellow and the flowers of the pollen parent are medium red.

30 COMPARISON WITH RELATED VARIETIES

In addition to the foregoing, the new variety also differs from other cultivars of the same cross.

The first is 'SAVABINO' (U.S. Plant Patent 10,980), 'BAMBINO') which is overall a considerably smaller plant with  
35 smaller blooms of a deeper orange red coloring.

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5 The second is 'SAVAPPLE' (U.S. Plant Patent Application No.  
09/727,065, filed November 30, 2000) which is a lower growing  
plant and although the open blooms are about the same size,  
'SAVAPPLE' has about half as many petals as this new cultivar and  
also is more red in its coloring.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATION

5 The accompanying photograph illustrates a typical specimen  
of the new variety and shows the flowering thereof from bud to  
full bloom depicted in color as nearly true as it is reasonably  
possible to make in a color illustration of this character.  
Throughout this specification, color references and/or values are  
based upon *The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart* and  
10 terminology used in the color descriptions herein refers to plate  
numbers in this color chart except where common terms of color  
definition are employed.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

5 The following observations were made of 6-year old plants  
of the new variety grown outdoors, in 8 inch standard pots, in  
Essex County, Massachusetts during the month of September.  
Phenotypic expression may vary with environmental, cultural and  
climatic conditions, as well as differences in conditions of  
light and soil.

10 FLOWER

Bud Medium size; length about  
11/16 inch; width about 7/16  
inch just before sepals  
divide

15 Form: Obovate  
Color: When sepals first divide  
color near 170A and 170B  
towards the tip blending into  
near 14C; when petals begin  
to unfurl, color near 33B and  
near 14C reverse and between  
near 33B and near 35A toward  
the tip

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25 Sepals: Lanceolate, extending 1/2  
inch beyond the tip of the  
bud; the 3 outer most sepals  
having one "flag" on 1 or  
both margins

30 Upper Surface: Texture glabrous; color near  
144A, may be flushed in sun  
with 187C

Under surface: Texture very fine down  
coating; color near 147C and  
near 138A at the tip

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Permanent: Yes

5 Hip/Stem Position: Rolling back to stem and  
remaining thus and attached  
to the receptacle

10 Peduncle: Peduncle with receptacle and  
sepals die and remain  
attached to plant

Length: About 3/4 to 1 inch

Aspect: Straight

Strength: Erect

15 Color: Near 144A, side facing sun  
may be flushed with 187C

Texture: Extremely fine hairs

#### BLOOM

20 Size: Average when fully expanded  
just under 1 1/2 inches

Borne: Singly

Form: Opens flat; petals becoming  
and remaining loosely rolled  
outward

25 Petalage: Between 35 to 40

Fragrance: Slight, spicy

Persistence: Only the petals drop off  
cleanly between 7 to 9 days

30 Lasting Quality: As cut flower, between 4 to 7  
days

#### PETALS

Texture: Glabrous

35 Appearance: Inside velvety; outside  
satiny

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Form: Wide spatulate

5 Size: Length about 5/8 inch at  
point of attachment to tip;  
outer petal width up to about  
3/4 inch at widest part

10 Arrangement: Imbricated - shingle-like;  
not regularly overlapped

Color

During first 2 days

15 Inner Petals: Upper side between 33B and  
35A; reverse between 33B and  
35A at the tip then becoming  
near 9C

20 Outer Petals: Upper side near 33C and  
blending into near 9C 2/3 of  
the way down the petal;  
reverse near 39A along the  
margin blending into near 9C

25 When half-blown: Little change but more of the  
petals becoming the coloring  
of the outer petals

Base of petals

(Point of attachment): Near 9C

General tonality from a  
distance:

30 Medium orange; sometimes  
appears "glowing"

Color Change:

35 Lightens and becomes more  
pink; starting with outer  
petals first and then all  
becoming near 51C and the  
yellow gradually disappears

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5 General tonality from a distance: Apricot-orange; color stays the same after 3 or more days

Petaloids in center: 1 or more

10 Size: Average width at widest part about 1/8 inch; length from point of attachment about 1/4 inch

Color: Same as inner petals

Texture: Glabrous

15 Notable Characteristics: None

REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS

Arrangement of stamens, Filaments and Anthers: Arranged regularly around outer edge of receptacle

20 Stamens: About 20, but often less

Filaments: Length about 1/16 inch; general color near 1C

Anthers: Barely discernable, color near 9C

25 Pollen: Very little; color near 17A

Pistils: About 30 or less

30 Styles: Uneven length, thin; between 2/16 and 3/16 inch; color near 145C and appearing translucent

Stigmas: Near 145C

Receptacle

35 Shape: Circular; surface texture glabrous

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Size: Diameter about 5/16 inch

Color: Near 145C

5 Hips: None observed

PLANT

Form: Upright, compact

Growth: Very vigorous, well branched

10 Size: Height attained about 14  
inches; width at maturity  
about 2 feet

15 Length of flowering stem: Most often about 3 inches;  
may be as short as 2 inches  
when borne singly

Foliage: Pinnately compound of 5  
leaflets; occasionally 3  
leaflets; rarely 7 leaflets

20 Size: Mature leaflet is medium  
sized, about 3 3/8 inches  
from stem to tip measured  
along the rachis; mature  
terminal leaflet is about 1  
1/4 inches from base to tip

25 Shape: Oval pointed

Quantity: Abundant

Color

30 New foliage: Upper side near 137A; the  
very edge may be near 187C  
when in the sun; under side  
near 146A, may be flushed  
very lightly with near 187C

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Resistance to disease:

Resistance to Blackspot good;  
average resistance to Mildew;  
no resistance to Rust  
observed; resistance against  
all insects good

WOOD

New shoots

Bark:

Smooth

Wood:

Near 144A, may be flushed  
with near 187C

Old wood

Bark:

Smooth

Wood:

Near 146A

Thorns

Quantity:

Few observed on main stalks  
from base; just more than  
average on laterals from  
stalk

Form:

Thin, straight, angled down  
to fine point; irregularly  
positioned

Length:

About 1/4 inch

Color

Immature thorns:

Near 147D and when exposed to  
sun between 178A and near  
183B and only the tips being  
near 147D

Mature thorns:

Near 165B

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Prickles:

No prickles observed on main  
or lateral stalks; some  
prickles observed on older  
leaves; color near 24D

Winter Hardiness:

Tested hardy to zones 4 to 9;  
winter protection recommended  
in Zones 5 and colder

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